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PRETORIA FOR AMBASSADOR CUTLER

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PGOV PINS CG US

SUBJECT: MOBUTU EXPRESSES APPRECIATION FOR USG REACTION TO NGUZA
TRIAL

REF: KINSHASA 8881

1. AT REQUEST OF ZAIRIAN FOREIGN MINISTRY DIRECTOR GENERAL
IDZUMBUIR, CHARGE CALLED ON DIRGEN SEPTEMBER 16. IDZUMBUIR
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INFORMED CHARGE THAT PRESIDENT MOBUTU HAD ASKED FONMINISTER UMBA
TO DELIVER ORAL MESSAGE OF APPRECIATION FOR USG'S REACTION TO NGUZA
TRIAL, CONVICTION, AND COMMUTATION OF SENTENCE. AFTER SAYING
FONMINISTER REGRETTED THAT ANOTHER COMMITMENT PREVENTED HIM
FROM DELIVERING THE MESSAGE IN PERSON, IDZUMBUIR SAID MOBUTU
CONSIDERED USG REACTION "CORRECT, PRUDENT, AND UNDERSTANDING."
HE SAID GOZ HAD NOTED PARTICULARLY DEPARTMENT OF STATE'S PUBLIC

DECLARATIONS ON SUBJECT AND HAD FOUND THEM BALANCED AND OBJECTIVE.

2. IDZUMBUIR SAID MOBUTU ASSUMED THAT HIS DECISION TO COMMUTE NGUZA'S SENTENCE TO LIFE IMPRISONMENT WOULD BE A RELIEF TO ZAIRE'S MANY FRIENDS WHO HAD OPENLY EXPRESSED INTEREST IN NGUZA'S SITUATION. HE SAID MOBUTU WANTED THOSE FRIENDLY GOVERNMENTS TO KNOW THAT, ALTHOUGH HE MADE THE COMMUTATION DECISION ENTIRELY ON HIS OWN, HE DID TAKE ACCOUNT OF APPEALS MADE IN SPIRIT OF FRIENDSHIP. IN CASE OF USG, HE APPRECIATED MANNER IN WHICH WE HAD MADE KNOWN OUR CONCERN.

3. CHARGE SAID HE WOULD TRANSMIT PRESIDENT MOBUTU'S MESSAGE IMMEDIATELY.
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